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SUBJ: FADPC DEVELOPMENT PLANS

FOR ASST SECY THOMAS FROM FADPC YOUNG

1. AFTER CAREFULLY CONSIDERING OPTIONS OPEN TO US, WE PROPOSE TO
MOVE AHEAD WITH ACCOUNTING SYSTEM AS OUR NEXT MAJOR UNDERTAKING.

2. OUR EXPERIENCE TO DATE INDICATES THAT ACCOUNTING HAS GREATEST
POTENTIAL PAYOFF FOR POSTS, DEPARTMENT AND FOR CENTER. WE CANNOT
PROVIDE FIRM COST-BENEFIT STATEMENT WITHOUT MORE DETAILED STUDY
BUT ACCOUNTING SYSTEM PROMISES TO RESULT IN SUBSTANTIAL NET
SAVINGS INCLUDING THE ELIMINATION OF AMERICAN AS WELL AS LOCAL
POSITIONS.

3. FROM CENTER'S POINT OF VIEW, ACCOUNTING WILL BE IMPORTANT
REVENUE SOURCE WHICH CAN SPEED OUR EFFORTS TO PUT CENTER ON
SOUND FINANCIAL FOOTING WHILE DECREASING DEPENDENCE ON AD
HOC APPLICATIONS.

4. MUCH PRELIMINARY PROGRAMMING FOR ACCOUNTING HAS ALREADY BEEN
DONE AS PART OF PAYROLL PACKAGE AND BY SHIFING PROGRAMMERS INTO
ACCOUNTING AS THEY ARE FREED UP FROM WORK ON PAYROLL/PERSONNEL
SYSTEM, WE CAN KEEP OUR PEOPLE EFFECTIVELY UTILIZED.

5. MOVING AHEAD WITH ACCOUNTING NOW SHOULD NOT INTERFERE WITH
CURRENT PAYROLL SERVICING SCHEDULE.

6. THE PARIS CHECK WRITING SYSTEM IS WORKING VERY WELL FOR US.

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SINCE ACCOUNTING SYSTEM MUST INTERFACE WITH IT AND PERFORM OTHER

DISBURSING FUNCTIONS, WE PLAN TO START WITH THE RFDPC SYSTEM.
WE WOULD ALSO LIKE WASHINGTON INPUT, PERHAPS THROUGH TDY ASSISTANCE,
BUT WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE ON HOW THIS CAN BEST BE DONE.

7. WE ARE USING THE FOLLOWING GENERAL SCHEDULE FOR PLANNING
PURPOSES:

REQUEST ACCOUNTING SYSTEM FROM RFDPC	IMMEDIATELY
ANALYZE DOCUMENTATION AND BANGKOK PROCEDURE	DECEMBER
ORDER SPECIAL FORMS	FEBRUARY 1
ADAPT SYSTEM TO CDC 3100	FEBRUARY-MAY
DEPARTMENTAL REVIEW	JUNE 1
PARALLEL	JUNE
CUT OVER	JULY 1

8. IF YOU HAVE NO OBJECTION WITH THIS COURSE OF ACTION, WE SHALL
BEGIN IMMEDIATELY, KEEPING YOU INFORMED AS WE PROCEED.
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